

Agenda Item 6  
August 20, 2012 Transportation, Energy & Utilities Committee

Here is a bit of information on SunCommon and the PopUp Solar Art Gallery and Store we have for the month:

**Did you know that you can go solar for less than what your current electricity costs?** SunCommon is a new group working to help more Vermonters go solar. You pay no money upfront and then make monthly payments that are less than or equal to your current utility bills, essentially swapping in solar for regular electricity and actually saving money on Day 1. This month we have opened a PopUp Solar Art Gallery and Store in the former Outdoor Gear Exchange (152 Cherry St.), and we'd love to have you join us to check out the great art, ask questions about solar, or come in for one of the workshops we'll be hosting all month.

Below are a few of the events, and check our webpage to see the rest: <http://suncommon.com/events/>

**Saturday Aug 18, Solar Science Activities for Kids.** SunCommon and the VT Energy Education Program are teaming up to provide fun, hands-on activities for kids aged 4-12. 11AM-Noon

**Wednesday Aug 22, Evening Solar Info Session.** Learn about SunCommon's no-upfront-cost program, to help homeowners go solar without any initial installation cost and a monthly payment that matches or beats the current utility bill. 6-7PM.

**Friday Aug 24th, Morning Coffee and Solar.** Drop by between 8 and 9:30AM for a cup of coffee and a brief Q+A session about solar

We ask that anyone interested in joining these or other events RSVP at: <http://suncommon.com/events/>

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**suncommon** finally makes it easy and affordable for Vermonters to go solar. This social venture is a spin-off and scale-up of the wildly successful VPIRG Energy, focused on helping entire communities go solar, together, today, to power themselves tomorrow. **suncommon** operates as one of Vermont's first [Benefit Corporations](#), whose triple-bottom line mission is about people, planet and profit.